Amendments to the Claims:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

1.   (currently amended) An information processing system comprising:

a first storage medium readable by a computer and storing a script containing parameters;

a checking module checking values of the parameters;

a second storage module, when a checked result is correct, storing values of the parameters; and

a module executing steps specified by the script in a way that replaces a parameter of the script with a value of the parameter;

wherein the script and the values of the parameters are stored in separate files, the script is encrypted, and

said system further comprises a module decrypting the encrypted script.

2.   (previously presented) An information processing system according to claim 1, wherein the script represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a plurality of subsystems, and

the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

3.   (cancelled)

4.   (original) An information processing system according to claim 2, further comprising:

a module accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

a module judging whether the value with the setting accepted can be applied to said

target system or subsystem.

5.   (currently amended) An information processing method comprising:

referring to a script containing parameters;

checking values of the parameters;

when a checked result is correct, referring to values of the parameters; and

executing steps specified by the script in a way that replaces a parameter of the script

with a value of the parameter;

wherein the script and the values of the parameters are stored in separate files,

the script is encrypted, and

said method further comprises decrypting the encrypted script.

6.   (previously presented) An information processing method according to claim 5,

wherein the script represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a

plurality of subsystems, and

the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the

target system.

7.   (cancelled)

8.   (original) An information processing method according to claim 6, further

comprising:

accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

judging whether the value with the setting accepted can be applied to said target system

or subsystem.

9.   (currently amended) A storage medium readable by a machine, tangible

embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps, the

method comprising:

referring to a script containing parameters;

checking values of the parameters;

when a checked result is correct, referring to values of the parameters; and

executing steps specified by the script in a way that replaces a parameter of the script

with a value of the parameter;,

wherein the script and the values of the parameters are stored in separate files,

the script is encrypted, and

said ~~program~~method further comprises decrypting the encrypted script.

10.   (previously presented) A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 9, wherein the script represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a plurality of subsystems, and

the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

11.   (cancelled)

12.   (original) A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 10, further comprising:

accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

judging whether the value with the setting accepted can be applied to said target system or subsystem.

13.   (currently amended) A program of instructions stored in a storage medium readable by a computer and executable by a machine to perform method ~~steps~~, the method comprising:

referring to a script containing parameters;

checking values of the parameters;

when a checked result is correct, referring to values of the parameters; and

executing steps specified by the script in a way that replaces a parameter of the script with a value of the parameter;

wherein the script and the values of the parameters are stored in separate files,

the script is encrypted, and

said program further comprises decrypting the encrypted script.

14.   (previously presented) A program according to claim 13, wherein the script represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a plurality of

subsystems, and

the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

15.   (cancelled)

16.   (original) A program according to claim 14, further comprising:

accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

judging whether the value with the setting accepted can be applied to said target system or subsystem.

17.   (currently amended) An information processing method comprising:

encrypting a script;

decrypting the encrypted script;

checking values of parameters contained in the script;

referring to values of the parameters when the checking produces a correct result; and

replacing a parameter of the script with a value of the parameter by executing steps specified by the script,

wherein the script and the values of the parameters are stored in separate files.

18.   (previously presented) An information processing system according to claim 1, further comprising:

a module combining the decrypted script with a readout setting file.

19.   (previously presented) An information processing method according to claim 5, further comprising:

combining the decrypted script with a readout setting file.

20.   (previously presented) A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 9, further comprising:

combining the decrypted script with a readout setting file.

21.   (previously presented) A program according to claim 13, further comprising:

combining the decrypted script with a readout setting file.